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FOR GARRISON FROM MATLOCK

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

KIEV SITUATION IS BECOMING INTOLERABLE. DESPITE
REPEATED STATEMENTS THAT REQUESTS ARE BEING CONSIDERED
FAVORABLY, THERE HAS BEEN NO MOVEMENT ON ANY OF THE
MAJOR PORBLEMS CONFRONTING KAP. ATTEMPTS TO
COMPLETE FLORENTSIYA APARTMENTS ARE TOTALLY STYMIED,
TRAVEL NOTE QUESTION IS UNRESOLVED AND REQUEST FOR TELEX
HAS PASSED OUT OF SIGHT. CRAMPED LIVING CONDITIONS AND
FRUSTRATING WORK ENVIRONMENT COMPOUNDED BY LACK OF
VARIETY OF MENUS AT LOCAL HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS
COMBINE TO MAKE RESIDENCE IN KIEV EVEN LESS DESIRABLE.
VISIONS OF PROTRACTED STAY UNDER SUCH CONDITIONS ALSO
CONTRIBUTE TO DETERIORATING MORALE. WE FEEL SOME PRESSURE
ON SOVIET ADVANCE PARTY IN NEW YORK IS GOING TO BE
NECESSARY TO RESOLVE THESE ISSUES. AMONG POSSIBLE
ALTERNATIVES THAT OCCUR TO US ARE (A) REDUCTION IN
SIZE OF SOVIET ADVANCE PARTY, (B) HOLD ON THEIR CONSTRUCTION,
,\$ (C) STEPS TO MAKE FILING OF TRAVEL NOTES MORE DIFFICULT.
WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY VIEWS YOU MAY HAVE.

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